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For: SYSTEM, METHOD AND MEDIUM FOR CERTIFYING AND ACCREDITING REQUIREMENTS COMPLIANCE

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Applicants respectfully request that the documents be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the documents be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom, or that the documents be at least placed in the file so that they become part of the application record.

The references listed on sheet 1 of Form PTO-1449 were cited by or submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in parent application Serial No. 09/794,386, filed February 28, 2001, which is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 USC § 120. Copies of these references are not attached under 37 CFR 1.98(d). Please note that U.S. 6,219,628 and U.S. 6,205,407, cited in the PCT search report for Serial No. 09/794,386, were cited in the Office Action dated June 5, 2002.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(c) and (e), Applicants certify that U.S. 5,892,900 and U.S. 6,219,626 were first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement.

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